## **ABSTRACT**

A method of acquiring vehicle data from a vehicle data bus is disclosed. The method is responsive to the execution of a telematics application on a local telematics unit. The method comprises first accessing a local vehicle library, in response to vehicle data requests from the application. The local vehicle library then carries out steps comprising: retrieving vehicle data bus information from a database; using the vehicle data bus information to extract vehicle data from the vehicle data bus, the vehicle data corresponding to the requests for vehicle parameter data; interpreting the retrieved vehicle data; and providing the interpreted data to the telematics application to satisfy the request for vehicle data.

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